## UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME Office of Audit and Investigations



**AUDIT** 

OF

CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION IN VULNERABLE COASTAL CITIES AND ECOSYSTEMS OF THE URUGUAY RIVER (Directly Implemented Project No. 131001, Output Nos. 124181 and 127020)

IN

**UNDP URUGUAY** 

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## Report on the Audit of Climate Change Adaptation in Vulnerable Coastal Cities and Ecosystems of the Uruguay River Implemented by UNDP Uruguay (Project No. 131001, Output Nos. 124181 and 127020) Executive Summary

The UNDP Office of Audit and Investigations (OAI), through PKF Littlejohn LLP (the audit firm), from 23 to 27 May 2022, conducted an audit of Climate Change Adaptation in Vulnerable Coastal Cities and Ecosystems of the Uruguay River (Project No. 131001, Output Nos. 124181 and 127020) (the Project), which is directly implemented and managed by the UNDP Country Office in Uruguay (the Office). This was the first audit of the Project.

The audit firm conducted a financial audit in accordance with the International Standards of Auditing (ISA), the 700 series, to express an opinion on whether the financial statements present fairly, in all material aspects, the Project's operations. The audit covered the Project's Combined Delivery Report, which includes expenses for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2021 and the accompanying Funds Utilization statement<sup>1</sup> as of 31 December 2021. The audit did not cover the Statement of Assets as no assets were held by the Project. In addition, the audit did not cover the Statement of Cash Position as no separate bank account was established and maintained for the Project.

The audit was conducted under the general supervision of OAI in conformance with the *International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing*.

## **Audit results**

Based on the audit report submitted by the audit firm, the results are summarized in the table below:

Project Expenses	
Amount (in \$ '000)	Opinion
105.7	Unmodified

The audit did not result in any recommendations.

Comments and/or additional information provided have been incorporated into the report, where appropriate.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Funds Utilization statement includes the balance, as at a given date, of five items: (a) outstanding advances received by the project; (b) undepreciated fixed assets used at the project level; (c) inventory held at the project level; (d) prepayments made by the project; and (e) outstanding commitments held at the project level.